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The following item was next put: For repairing and maintaining the buildings at the Quarantine station, Spring Cove, £1000.

Mr. DONALDSON explained the reasons that induced the Government to ask for this sum.

Mr. COWPER thought that the ridiculously large sum had been from time to time expended on the Quarantine station. Formerly, ships had been frequently sent to that station where there was no need whatever for putting the country to the consequent expense.

Mr. HAY explained that, as the buildings were of timber, and much exposed, the repairs for which the vote was asked were much needed. The Colonial Architect had reported to the Government that the buildings were not repaired at once great inconvenience, and a necessity for a larger expenditure would follow.

Mr. R. CAMPBELL would oppose the vote, seeing that Ministers opposite were unable to explain to the House whether the proposed works were impracticable, or in what way the money was to be expended.

Mr. WEEKES would support the item. If the Quarantine buildings were not kept in a state of perfect repair, they might as well not have a Quarantine station at all.

Mr. BARKER would support the vote.

Mr. PARKER explained the necessity for the vote. The item was then put and passed without a division.

Mr. DONALDSON moved the following item: For repairs and additions to the Immigration depot, Brisbane, £2500, and read from a report forwarded to the Government by the Immigration Agent the nature and extent of the repairs and additions required, and also the estimate of the Colonial Architect, upon which the item was based. The sum would be debited to the account of the new colony in the event of separation being effected.

Mr. F. T. RUSDEN moved that the item be reduced by £1000.

Mr. RICHARDSON supported the full item. The amendment was put and negatived, and on the original question being put, Mr. F. T. RUSDEN further moved that the item be reduced by £250.

Mr. BUCKLEY, in support of the original sum, referred to the state of the Immigration buildings at Brisbane, and stated that the present time was a bad time for the buildings in a wretched state of disrepair. The revenue of the colony was still going into the coffers of New South Wales, and that district was entitled to her full share in the expenditure of the public money.

Mr. FLOED spoke in favour of reduction.

Mr. JONES, on the understanding that his sum would be raised by loan, would vote for the full item.

Mr. DONALDSON would have no objection to place the item with others that were to be raised by loan, if the committee thought proper. The honorable member then read the various items he intended to ask, which were to be raised by loan.

Mr. F. T. RUSDEN then withdrew his amendment, and the question for the original sum was put and carried.

The following item was next put, for an Immigration depot at Maryborough, to be raised by loan—a sum of £250.

The following items to be raised by loan were then put and carried:

For erection of bridge at Ipswich, Maryborough, &c. £150 0 0

For the repair of the roads, 1st Liverpool Range, 1000 0 0

For the repair of the roads, 2nd Liverpool Range, 1000 0 0

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For the repair of the roads, 20th Liverpool Range, 1000 0 0

For the repair of the roads, 21st Liverpool Range, 1000 0 0

For the repair of the roads, 22nd Liverpool Range, 1000 0 0

In lieu of provisions to 10 camp sergeants at 2s. and 10 privates at 1s. 6d. each per diem.

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on the unfavourable natives beyond the limits of civilisation.

Mr. SUTTOR considered the question a most difficult one, and that much of the efficiency of the force would depend upon the appointment of a qualified head.

Although he was in favour of the continuance of this force on the frontier districts, he thought it ought to be abolished in the more populous districts.

The committee then divided on the amendment of Mr. G. Macleay, which was lost by a majority of 24 to 17.

The committee then divided on the next amendment for reducing the sum by £1400, which was carried by a majority of 22 to 19.

The House then resumed, and the committee obtained leave to sit again to-morrow (this day).

Several Messages were received from the Legislative Council, the nature of which will be seen in the proceedings of that body.

JUDICIAL OFFICES AND BARRISTERS' ADMISSION BILL.

Mr. MANNING moved that this bill be read a third time.

Mr. R. CAMPBELL opposed the motion.

The question was then put, and the House divided: Ayes, 24; Noes, 6.

Mr. MANNING then put and carried.

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Mr. R. CAMPBELL opposed the motion, and stated that as the bill had been so altered in committee, it ought to be printed and circulated amongst the members before it was finally passed.

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INSOLVENT COURT.

Before the Chief Commissioner of Insolvent Estates.

In the estate of James Gully, a single meeting.

Debt amounting to £25 8s. 3d. was proved. The official assignee directed to direct to the value of certain wearing apparel (the only assets in the estate), and to report on Monday next.

In the estate of George Brown, a single meeting.

No debts were proved. Insolvent was allowed his household furniture and wearing apparel, subject to payment of court fees and other expenses.

In the estate of William Johnson, a single meeting.

Nothing done.

In the estate of Mary Ellen Robertson, a single meeting.

A claim was tendered, and the official assignee directed to direct to the value of certain wearing apparel (the only assets in the estate), and to report on Monday next.

In the estate of John Long Horsey, a single meeting.

Debt amounting to £339 5s. 7d. was proved. Insolvent made an offer of payment in full at the rate of £100 per annum by monthly instalments from his salary. The creditors desired him to stand over the offer, and the meeting was for that purpose adjourned until to-morrow.

In the estate of James Douglas, a single meeting.

One debt, £18 10s., was proved. Insolvent was examined by the official assignee, and the creditors were allowed to examine him. The meeting was for that purpose adjourned until to-morrow.

In the estate of Thomas Clarke, a first meeting.

One debt, £21, was proved.

Richard Webb, the younger, of the Western Road, Parramatta, licensed victualler. Liabilities, £239 17s. 2d. Assets, value of personal property, £175 17s. 2d. Mr. Wilson, official assignee.

Friday, 20.—Thomas Miles, adjourned second, 10. Robert G. Springett, adjourned second, 12. John L. Taylor, adjourned second, 10. Meyer L. Jones, second, half-past 1.

Central Police Court.

Thursdays.

Before Mr. Justice Dickinson and Mr. Joyce.

Thirteen persons, charged with drunkenness, were severely sentenced to pay 20s., or to be imprisoned for twenty-four hours. A woman named Graham had been taken into custody for this offence, but in the afternoon she was released, and the woman was severely sentenced to pay 20s., or to be imprisoned for twenty-four hours.

Mr. FOSTER, Mr. R. CAMPBELL, and Mr. T. G. RUSDEN opposed the charge.

The question was put, and the House divided, with the following result:—Ayes, 21; Noes, 7.

On the motion of Mr. PARKER, the House adjourned at twenty minutes past twelve o'clock, until three o'clock this day.

NEW NOTICES OF MOTION.

Friday, February 20.

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